

TOWN OF WELLESLEY



MASSACHUSETTS

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

REMOTE ONLINE MEETING MINUTES

Approved 8/27/2020

August 13 2020, 7 PM

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Present: Raina McManus, Vice Chair; Laura Robert, Jay McHale; Allison Burson; Brandon Schmitt, Director

Guests: Dave Cohen, DPW Director; Dave Hickey, Town Engineer; Jill Creevy; Alice Cook; Mia Hassleback; Douglas Ling; Diane Lander

Public Speak

No one spoke on a non-agenda item.

New and Continuing Business

- **Hunnewell Multi-Use Dugout Revisions**

Ms. McManus reviewed the previous discussion from July 30, 2020 on proposed changes to the dugouts at the Multi-purpose field.

Ms. Creevy, Ms. Cook, Ms. Hassleback, Mr. Ling and Ms. Lander each expressed their support for the dugout changes.

After discussing the proposed changes, and after a motion was made and seconded, the board voted 0-3 (Mr. McHale abstained) to approve the changes to dugout design. The motion failed.

- **Liaison Reports**

Mr. McHale updated the board on the Aqueduct bathroom project and example bids and draft designs.

- **Climate Crisis**

Ms. McManus reported on the SEC's "shave the peak" initiative where residents are asked to lower their energy consumption during high-demand periods.

The board discussed the ThinkBlue Massachusetts program and encouraged residents to participate.

Director's Report

- **Department Update:** Mr. Schmitt discussed hiring a secretary. Both the Wetlands Administrator and Education Coordinator evaluations were complete.

- **Town Project Update:** Mr. Schmitt explained that he was working on finalizing the field lighting consultation and Tree Planting contracts after receipt of responses to the RFP. Due to efforts of the Recreation

Department, Morses Pond beach will remain open until the end of August or later. Mr. Schmitt also updated the board on a trails project to close off a short section of trail from Turner Road near the Vernal Pool boardwalk.

- **Permits:** Mr. Schmitt discussed the 24-Hour Barefoot soccer event .

Urgent items not anticipated prior to 48 hours of meeting

N/A

Schedule Meetings/Approve Minutes

This item was not discussed.

Adjourn

After a motion was made and seconded, the board voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:15PM

Respectfully submitted,

Brandon Schmitt, Director